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ICE DEPORTS 111 ILLEGAL ALIENS FROM ATLANTA

105 were criminals charged with crimes including rape, battery and fraud

ATLANTA—U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detention and removal officers removed 111 illegal aliens last week to their native countries.

105 of the 111 removed were criminal aliens convicted of the following crimes: burglary, aggravated assault, larceny, fraud, rape, homicide, narcotics and assault and battery. Among the criminals removed was Alcides Webb, 46, a citizen of Panama previously convicted for selling drugs, possessing firearms, and destructive behavior while in police custody. Webb entered the U.S. in 1995 at San Diego, California, was subsequently deported in 1998 but illegally re-entered the country in 2000.

Also deported was 29-year-old Charles Antchouet-Teko, a citizen of Gabon, Africa with a criminal history of battery and making terroristic threats. He entered the country in Jan. 1998 at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, but failed to leave when his visa expired. Antchouet-Teko, who was ordered deported by an immigration judge in Feb. 2001, had been eluding deportation for four years when officers arrested him.

John Mata who heads the Atlanta Detention and Removal Office said, "The removal of criminal aliens who endanger our communities and threaten our public safety and national security will always be our highest priority."

Those removed are from the following countries: Jamaica, Trinidad, Chile, Saudi Arabia, Colombia, Africa, Panama, Britain, Brazil, and Egypt.

ICE's Detention and Removal units nationwide are tasked with locating and apprehending aliens who attempt to hide in the United States despite the lawful orders of immigration judges who have ordered the aliens to leave the country.

ICE removed more than 160,000 aliens nationally in Fiscal Year 04. More than half of those were criminal aliens.

The ICE Atlanta deportation office removed 3,363 aliens during Fiscal Year 04, 2,083 of those removed had criminal convictions. In the first 3 months of Fiscal Year 05, more than 804 illegal aliens were removed and 486 of them were criminals.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of five integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities.